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FOR ISOLATION AND IDENTIFICATION OF TAGGED GENES"

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of December 4, 2001, Applicants respectfully
request that this application be reconsidered in view of the following remarks and
amendments.

IN THE CLAIMS

**Please substitute the appropriate pending claim with its amended version as
presented below:**

9. (Twice Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising a second amplification
to preferentially amplify adapter-modified DNA fragments, wherein said second
amplification employs at least two oligonucleotide primers, with one of said primers

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